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SUBJECT: CHINESE MILITARY MISSION VISITS SWEDEN

1. A FOUR MAN CHINESE MILITARY DELEGATION IS VISITING SWEDEN THIS WEEK AT THE INVITATION OF SWEDISH ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF ERIC ALMGREN. THE DELEGATION IS LEAD BY HO CHENG-WEN, DESCRIBED AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE CHINESE GENERAL STAFF. HO IS SUBSTITUTING FOR YANG TEH-CHIH, WHO WAS SCHEDULED TO HEAD THE DELEGATION BUT WAS FORCED TO CANCEL BECAUSE OF ILLNESS. THE VISIT IS IN RETURN FOR A VISIT MADE TO CHINA BY GEN. ALMGREN TWO YEARS AGO. THE SWEDISH PRESS HAS CLAIMED THAT IT IS THE FIRST AND ONLY VISIT BY A CHINESE MILITARY DELEGATION TO A WESTERN COUNTRY.

2. THE SWEDISH HOSTS APPEAR TO BE MAKING A MAJOR EFFORT TO  
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PROVIDE THE VISITORS WITH AN OVER-ALL VIEW OF SWEDISH DEFENSE

CAPABILITY. IN ADDITION TO CALLS ON SENIOR SWEDISH MILITARY OFFICERS IN STOCKHOLM (INCLUDING COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF SYNNERGREN AND DEFENSE MINISTER HOLMQVIST), THE GROUP HAS VISITED VIGGEN MANUFACTURER SAAB-SCANIA IN LINKOPING AND SWEDISH INSTALLATIONS AT ESKILSTUNA, GAVLE AND ROSERSBERG. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, THE VISITORS HAVE DISPLAYED PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THE SWEDISH FACILITIES IN THE ROCK EMPLACEMENT BERTHS AT MUSKO. ON OCTOBER 30 THE GROUP IS SCHEDULED TO SEE SWEDISH COMBAT AIRCRAFT IN THEIR ROCK EMPLACEMENT HANGERS AND ON NOVEMBER 1 WILL BE SHOWN HOW THE SWEDISH MILITARY TRAVEL THROUGH ROCK TUNNELS TO THEIR UNDERGROUND SYSTEM. THE SWEDISH PRESS HAS SPECULATED THAT THE INTENSE CHINESE INTEREST IN UNDERGROUND FACILITIES REFLECTS CHAIRMAN MAO'S BELIEF THAT SUCH PROTECTION SHOULD BE AFFORDED CHINESE DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS.

3. THE DELEGATION IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART SWEDEN NOV.

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